



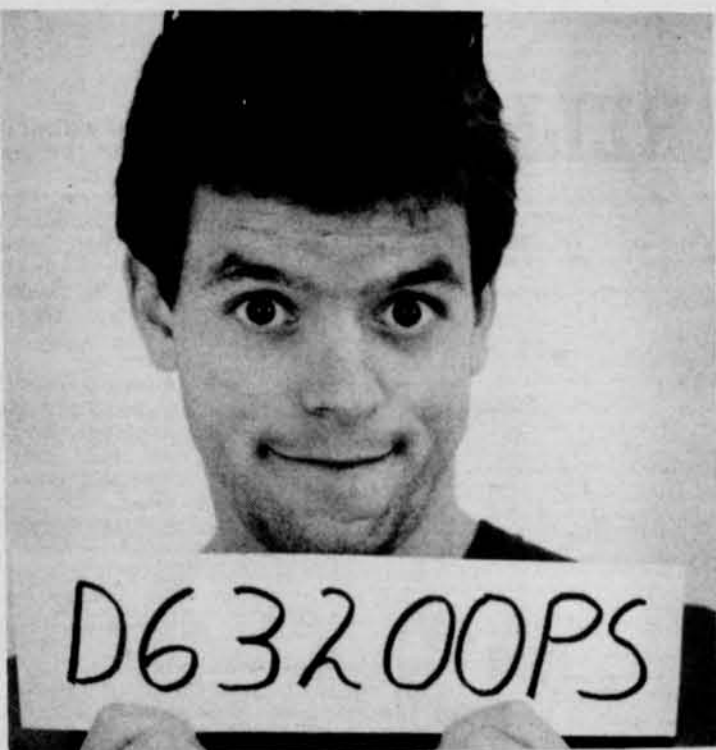
Election Scandal Rocks Campus

by Glen Johnson

As is an annual spring tradition on the Lawrence campus, on April 15th Lawrentians went to the polls to elect the President and Vice-President of the Lawrence University Community Council (L.U.C.C.). That evening, when there should have been an announcement of the winners and losers, instead there came a declaration that the election was invalid. Alleged ballot-box stuffing and other procedural violations had made it necessary for a second election, on Wednesday, April 17th.

According to L.U.C.C. by-laws approved in 1979, elections for student representatives are to be held in the following manner: voting stations are to be set up in each dormitory, in Main Hall, Science Hall, the Conservatory, and a single site for Lawrentians living in the fraternity quad; students living in Brokaw or off-campus are to vote in Downer or Colman; additionally, voters must confirm eligibility by signing a student directory when they receive their ballot; finally, polling stations are to be open from 10 am until 2 pm and absentee ballots are to be provided for "eligible students."

Despite this legislation, on the 15th Lawrentians found that they were only able to vote in Downer, Colman, or Main Hall, between the hours of 11 am and approximately 1:30 p.m., and without ever signing anything approximating a voter registration sheet. The discrepancy between prescribed and actual voting conditions reveals two serious flaws in L.U.C.C. governance: there is incompetency within student leadership and, more seriously, there



Sentinel of democracy incarcerated in controversy.
John P. "Bud" Farrell, Chairman, Polling and Elections Committee.

is selective interpretation of L.U.C.C. by-laws.

John Farrell, Chairman of the Polling and Elections Committee, is the person ultimately in charge of L.U.C.C. elections. Although he's been in the position for over a year, this is not the first election which has been conducted improperly. Last fall, students electing hall representatives found they could do so in a "self-serve" manner—they simply took a ballot from an unmarked envelope at their respective hall's front desk, marked it, and placed the complete

ted ballot in another envelope. It was Farrell's feeling that since Lawrentians were bound by an academic honor code that they vote legally, thus making it unnecessary for formal elections.

On Monday the 15th,

all four candidates (Cheryl Chisnell, Steve Purdum, Tom Hogan, and Mary Evenson) declared that faulty election procedures had resulted in multiple voting and other violations of the L.U.C.C. by-laws. Farrell admitted that although the election "didn't occur to the letter

of the law, it sure was within the intent of the legislation." Farrell tried to justify his electoral conduct by explaining that past L.U.C.C. elections hadn't been run according to the by-laws because it would take too many people to man the polling stations and because it was a hassle to organize such an elaborate election. It is this kind of selective interpretation of L.U.C.C. by-laws which is perhaps the most serious problem to surface in this electoral fiasco.

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Stand Up and Be Counted

by Dave King

Lawrence University students, along with members of the faculty and the administration, are lobbying state and federal politicians for financial aid dollars. According to Steve Syverson, Dean of Admission and Financial Aid, the proposed budget cuts would "seriously affect the Lawrence community and American higher education as a whole."

During the past two weeks, the Young Democrats sponsored a letter writing campaign aimed at Congress. More than 85 hand-written letters were sent to key congressmen. Freshman Kelly Lockwood, one of the Young Democrats who helped students write letters, is pleased with the student support but hopes for "better participation in the future."

A four day "phone-a-thon" in the basement of Wilson House, sponsored by the Financial Aid and Admissions offices, netted 72 phone calls to state and federal representatives last week. A joint letter from President Richard Warch and LUCC urged students to call at the university's expense. The phone-a-thon will be

extended into next week.

President Reagan's 1986 budget slashed more than \$1 billion in student aid while seeking to limit students \$4,000 a year in all forms of federal aid. Currently, a student may receive up to \$11,000 in federal aid, and the lower limit would especially hurt private colleges because they do not benefit from direct state subsidies. Syverson estimates that 74% of Lawrence students who receive aid would be affected by the proposed cuts.

Under the administration's proposal, Pell Grants would be limited to families with incomes of \$25,000 or less and Guaranteed Student Loans would be denied to students with family incomes of more than \$32,500 annually—regardless of how many children the family has in school. Again, these proposals would hurt the needy students at private colleges more so than public institutions.

The Reagan administration is selling the cuts in aid as a deficit reduction ploy. Federal aid to students has eaten up a larger and larger portion of the

budget since the early 1960's, and some claim that students are getting a "free ride." Administration officials tend not to see student aid as an investment in human capital but as a wasteful,

mushrooming subsidy to the middle class.

Senator William Proxmire (D-WI) is solidly opposed to the Reagan administration's proposed cuts in aid, according to Mort Schwartz, a legislative assistant to the senator. Schwartz stresses the importance of letters and phone calls and encourages Lawrence students to "stand up and be counted." As an instructor in economics, Schwartz taught at Lawrence from 1969 to 1974.

Here in Wisconsin, a similar budget battle is going on, and private higher education has been sorely underrepresented, according to Robert McCarthy, Director of the Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and Universities. Governor Earl has proposed a cost-of-living increase in the Wisconsin Tuition Grant program (WTG) over the next biennium. McCarthy warns that in light of recent cuts in WTG, the Governor's proposal is not enough.

The WTG program offers grants of up to \$2000 to Wisconsin residents attending in-state private colleges. Seventy-one percent of Lawrence students who are residents of Wisconsin receive WTG awards. Because of budget cuts, the average WTG award to Lawrence students has been cut by 10% since 1979/1980, according to Joy Delie, L.U. Financial Aid Administrator.

President Warch describes the WTG program as "sound public policy" because it enhances educational diversity and freedom to choose among schools while saving the state money. Every student at a UW school—regardless of need—receives a cost-of-instruction subsidy in excess of \$3000. Every time a student decides to attend a Wisconsin private college instead of a UW school because of the WTG, the state saves, on the average, more than \$1600. "Unfortunately," says State Representative David Prosser (R-Appleton), "the idea that we can save money by spending money is difficult to get across."

Whatever happens on the state or federal level, President Warch and Dean Syverson insist that Lawrence will "continue to meet 100% of a student's need." The cuts in aid would be paid for with more student loan dollars and funds from other parts of the Lawrence budget.



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Chairman Polling and Elections Committee

SCREWS AND COMMON SENSE

As some would have it, last Wednesday's election for LUCC president and vice-president is mired in controversy...fine. A little controversy is the spice of life, even elections. But when people complain that the elections weren't fair—Well, that's where I have to put my foot down. Allow me to set the record straight.

On Monday, April 15th, LUCC presidential and vice-presidential elections were held. The elections, however, were informally contested on the ground that LUCC voting procedure by-laws were violated. Specifically, it was argued that name sheets were not present at each voting station; thus people could possibly vote more than once. It seems a little strange that Lawrence gives its students take-home exams and expects them not to cheat, but...Holy Toledo...watch 'em around those ballot boxes. At any rate, rather than waiting for LUCC to convene and decide whether or not to hold a new election, as called for by LUCC legislation, Jane Kotwicki, Dean Agness, the candidates and I went forth with a new election. We agreed that by having name sheets at each of the three voting stations, everything would be acceptable. Thus we decided to forgo a few formalities in order to hold another election as soon as possible. Less than 48 hours later, Wednesday's election took place...and yes, LUCC legislation was not followed to the letter. You don't have to be a logitition to figure that out. The point is that LUCC by-laws could not be followed to the tee; otherwise it would have taken a week to secure enough people (36 if each voting station attendant worked an hour shift) to man the voting stations called for in the by-laws. Moreover, Jane Kotwicki, the candidates and I were cognizant of this fact beforehand.

Now the question remains, was Wednesday's election fair? Well, it certainly followed the spirit of LUCC by-laws, and equally important, everyone involved was aware of the voting procedure before the election occurred. What more does prudence dictate? See, this was one of those cases in which the legalistic screw didn't fit the circumstantial hole. Common sense did.

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Chairman, Polling and Elections

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OPINION/LETTERS

Ms. Understanding



Dear Ms. Understanding:

I have found that, while walking on the sidewalks of our lovely campus, I run the risk of being physically disabled by a mail truck.

The mail trucks usually come barreling by at 40 m.p.h. without warning. This successfully frightens the hell out of me. What do you recommend I do to avoid these gut-wrenching situations?

Sincerely,
Unfair Target

Dear Target:

Neon clothing is very fashionable this spring, and very visible as well. I suggest you wear some of these obnoxiously bright colors in the hope that the driver will notice you and therefore be able to avoid scaring you.

I also suggest that the mail truck drivers learn to drive with their eyes open at slower speeds.

Love,
Ms. Understanding

Dear Ms. Understanding:

My roommate drinks too much, usually to the point of throwing up. I get really tired of the way the room smells the next day. I also get tired of having to clean up her mess from the sink, the garbage can, the rug, her hair and my backpack when she is too hungover to do it herself. What can I do to get her to stop?

Sincerely,
Disgruntled

Dear Grunt:

You may want to talk to your roommate about her drinking because excessive barfing is probably a sign of a drinking problem.

Tell your roommate, in one of her more sober moments, that you will no longer clean up for her the morning after. Maybe if she has to take responsibility for the mess herself she will stop making it.

Love,
Ms. Understanding

Are you lost in time, lost in space? Have you always wondered why people knock on wood and not formica? Do you wonder what kind of twit would sell their thought for a single penny? And do you wonder why it is that some people ask you questions like "How are you?" when they couldn't really care less?

-Write to: Ms. Understanding
c/o The Lawrentian
(turn in at the info desk)

Election Protested

Dear Lawrence University Community Council:

As concerned members of the Lawrence community, we are formally contesting the elections held on Monday, April 15th, and Wednesday, April 17th, due to the Polling and Election Committee's and the president's failure to follow the LUCC by-laws.

There were three violations of the by-laws by the Polling and Elections Committee. The first was the failure to hold the elections in the dorms, as is stated in Article I, section B, part one of the by-laws. They were held only in Downer and Main Hall.

The second was the failure to make each voter sign a "current living-unit directory" as stated in Article I, section B, part two of the by-laws. There was no list on Monday's election and on Wednesday the list was signed for you.

The third violation was the failure to hold the elections from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., as stated in part three of the same section. The elections were held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Finally, the president violated Article I, section D, by failing to convene the council to approve of the new election.

Due to the violations, we request the LUCC to reinstate Monday's election or take the appropriate action to hold a new election.

Respectfully submitted,

Jay Stewart, Steve Purdum, Steve Albrecht, Peter Montross, John Singer, Kirsan Syverson, Carolyn Forde, Christopher Korbel, Laurie S. Kruse, Joseph Green, John Stanton, Jonathon Richards, Dana Christianson

NEWS

CAMPUS CAPSULES

A "Save the Contras"

Fund drive by the National College Republicans was scuttled only a week after it was launched. The campaign supported private-sector backing of the Nicaraguan terrorists. However, both Republican and Democratic congressman brandished a "Save the Contras" poster on the floor of the House of Representatives as they introduced a bill to ban all forms of private U.S. aid for the rebels. Also, the Save the Children Foundation says the College Republican poster violated the copyright on its poster.

National Youth Service is an idea with new life. Virginia Gov. Charles Robb, who also chairs the Education Commission of the States, advocated requiring students to do volunteer or low-paying work at the American Association of Higher Education's annual meeting. Meanwhile, Gary Hart has written a book on the subject and is pushing the idea in Washington.

Cries of reverse discrimination are being heard by the Black Law Students Association after it refused to allow a U. of Mississippi student to participate in its national moot court competition because she is white. The Ole Miss BLSA chapter has severed ties with regional and national affiliates to protest this policy.

Who cares? When Lisa Birnbach visited Emory U. for a speaking engagement, she was surprised by the wrathful reception she received from students there. The students were angry because she stated, in *Lisa Birnbach's College*

Book, that Emory's most salient feature was apathy and its student body was the most blasé.

Competition between super-powers has taken on a new dimension. The U.S. and U.S.S.R. are now fighting to attract college students from Central America. Last year more than 3,000 Central American students studied in the Soviet Union while only 226 came to the U.S. The U.S. government has now earmarked \$164 million for scholarships to lure the students to American campuses.

The expulsion of a student from the State U. of New York-Morrisville drew strong student reaction and may lead to changes in the campus judicial process. The student was given less than one hour's notice, with no formal hearing, to vacate the campus following an alleged dorm vandalism. The student was reinstated after 80 students rallied outside administration offices.

Agriculture majors have seen a sudden drop in enrollment recently. The national agricultural depression and President Reagan's recent veto of the farm credit bill have convinced many students there is no future in farming.

A rash of bomb threats prompted the Northern Illinois U. police to offer a \$500 reward for information on who is making the calls. The police aren't promising anonymity to tipsters, but say they won't reveal a source's identity unless the person is needed to testify.

Election Scam

Farrell's problem stems from a bigger problem since selective non-compliance with L.U.C.C. bylaws extends to the university administration.

Once the first election was declared invalid, Farrell, current L.U.C.C. President Jane Kotwicki, and Dean of Campus Life Rich Agness scrambled to organize a more institutionalized second election. In consultation with the four candidates, it was decided to bypass an L.U.C.C. law which says that a new election shall be held only "if approved by a majority of the Lawrence University Community Council." Accordingly, Lawrentians went back to the polls on April 17th and elected Cheryl Chisnell and Steve Purdum President and Vice-President, respectively.

Dean Agness explained that there has been "an awareness for some time that (electoral) procedures hadn't been followed." He sided with John Farrell and said that he felt it would be extremely hard to organize and mobilize enough students to properly man the polls. As a consequence, Agness explained, in a technical sense "almost all elections could be contested." He said he allowed the second election, despite knowing he was violating L.U.C.C. by-laws, in the interest of "expediency" and because he felt it was the "common sense" thing to do.

Jay Stewart, Parliamentarian of L.U.C.C., doesn't agree with Agness. In fact, he's started a drive to invalidate the second election. His protest, which appears on page two, cites all the previously mentioned technical flaws of the first election and also calls into question the decision to bypass the rules regarding the contestment of an election. "The question is, 'Are we going to enforce L.U.C.C. legislation?'" said Stewart. "If you don't follow the L.U.C.C. rules which govern elections, why should you follow L.U.C.C. rules which govern J-Board?" he continued.

The idea of a third election affects each of the candidates differently. Notably, President Chisnell said that there was "no way" she would run a third time. Vice-President Purdum said he would run a third time, confessing that he felt the second election was "a rushed attempt to cover up a boo-boo." He declared that he supported Stewart's position, explaining that "Jay's taking the initiative to do what needs to be done."

Whatever the result of the petition, which will be debated at this afternoon's L.U.C.C. meeting, it is clear that L.U.C.C. has to reexamine not only its rules, but also its commitment to upholding those rules. Miss Kotwicki explained that she'd worked hard during her tenure to give L.U.C.C. a "legitimate image," and she hopes confusion over the election won't damage the progress she's made. Dean Agness declared that the legislation needs to be "cleaned up" before the next election, thus preventing a recurrence of the problem.



United Way

Walvoord Wins Mellon

by C.J. Laing

Senior Laura Walvoord has been named a 1985 Mellon Fellow in the Humanities by the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation. One of 119 recipients of the prestigious award, Walvoord will begin graduate work in history at the University of California-Berkeley next fall.

The Mellon awards are given to those college men and women who show promise in teaching and researching in their respective fields of study. The recipients, from Canada and the United States, may pursue advanced study in English, history, philosophy, comparative literature and classics. Besides covering tuition and fees, the renewable award includes a cash stipend of \$8000.

Walvoord is most interested in Early Modern European History and the Italian Renaissance. After three years of classes and study, including work as a teaching assistant, Walvoord plans to spend two years in Europe doing research. Her sixth year of graduate work will be on her dissertation for her Master's degree. The Deerfield,

Illinois native is only the second Lawrence student to be honored with a Mellon Fellowship. David Hoffman, '83, received the award, in its first year, to study Russian history at Columbia University. This is the third year of the award.

The winners were selected from 1,425 faculty-nominated candidates. After being nominated, Walvoord sent in three recommendations and an autobiographical sketch. She then had a regional interview in Chicago with a five member panel of judges. As the numbers dwindled, Walvoord made the final cut and was selected by the national judges.

Walvoord said that she felt "very honored" that she was selected. She was pleased that the fellowship recognizes that a small midwestern college can give just as good a background to students as the Ivy League schools.

In six years, Laura hopes to land a teaching position in the highly competitive college market. She would like to teach at a school like Lawrence -- and if Lawrence has an opening, who knows? Laura Walvoord might return to Lawrence University.

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FEATURES

Poet in Lean Times

"Honesty" from Elisabeth Koffka's
Figures in the Carpet
Honesty toward self is not easy.

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flatt'ring paint;
hard work, that takes a great deal
of pluck and time.

Then, when at last you got down
to the real thing,
the rude shock:
This me?
Never.

And in all haste the paint
is smeared back.

by Mary Ann Ousley

She is Elisabeth Koffka, a woman who has dedicated most of her life to education. Born and educated in Germany, she left her native country in 1929 and soon launched her teaching career in the United States. Mrs. Koffka accepted a position at Smith College, where she remained for over thirty years then came to Lawrence University in 1961. Retirement brought an end to her official teaching career, but Mrs. Koffka continues to share her talents with the Lawrence community, both as a student auditing courses and as a poet writing verse.

Mrs. Koffka received her Ph.D. from the German university in Giessen. Her major field was history, and to that she added philosophy and German language minors. She says she planned the future carefully in those early years, but her life followed a different course. "I had promised myself two things I would not do in life: I would not marry and I would not teach, and both fell down." In 1924 she married Kurt Koffka, a psychologist of international repute, and one of the founders of Gestalt psychology. In 1929, Mrs. Koffka accompanied her husband to Smith College, where she began teaching on a part-time basis in 1932. In 1936, she changed to full-time. She launched her career in the then new field of intellectual European history while at Smith and continued to pursue this interest during her Lawrence teaching career, from 1961 to 1973.

Retirement left Mrs. Koffka "feeling rather lost," so she began auditing Lawrence courses and has done so since 1973. She continues to audit courses for two reasons: she thinks it important to "stretch the horizon and to go on training the intellect," as well as to maintain "living

contact" with students through classroom discussions.

During Winter Term, Mrs. Koffka participated in a course entitled "History of Philosophy: Berkeley to Mill" offered by Professor Rychman. She also audited a seminar focusing on the works of Franz Kafka, taught by Professor Ternes. "These courses don't exactly harmonize," says Mrs. Koffka as she crosses her forefingers to form an "x." "One is all pure logic, mathematical kind of thinking, and the other is pure illogic. But it is a challenge and I like challenges. I like to swim against the tide, not with it." She is presently auditing the Victorian Age with Professor Dando. After many years of auditing and relatively little change in the courses offered, Mrs. Koffka fears she may exhaust her alternatives.

From her position on the student's side of the podium, does Mrs. Koffka think that students actively question the ideas presented to them in the classroom? She says that the "spirit" students expressed in the 1960's is lacking, and that today's students are perhaps preoccupied with "image, money, and careers." Our society "needs a raising of the intellectual level." Universities must do what they can to raise it, she says. "If young people don't want to reach for the moon, when are they going to do it?"

The responsibility for initiating classroom inquiry lies on both sides of the podium, according to Mrs. Koffka. Students must "struggle" with the material presented, but their struggling may depend on the very manner in which the material is presented. If a professor presents a "perfect picture" with no gaps left, he or she will probably not hear questions from students. A straight lecture without any gaps and only two or three minutes at the end to allow for questions is not the most effective method for prompting inquiry, Mrs. Koffka says.

When she is not attending classes or working on her assignments, Mrs. Koffka writes poetry. She writes at least one poem a day and averages 30 to 40 each month. In 1978, she published a collection of her poems entitled **Figures in the Carpet**. She includes over 200 poems in eight categories ranging from "The Contemporary Scene" and "Social Satires" to "Lyrical Reflections" (see "Honesty" above) and "The Orient." The poems included in the "Social Satire"

category make, according to Mrs. Koffka, "definite criticism of our society as we live in it. What I do in the satires is forget about myself." The "Lyric" poems, on the other hand, "have a great deal of myself in them."

Will this well-educated and talented woman ever write her life's story? "No," Mrs. Koffka answers. "It is too late." The disruptive experience of war greatly influenced her decision not to write an autobiography. War changed her world. Many of the "inner" and "outer" changes were complete, but she says she was not conscious of many of them. "An autobiography would ask me to think out the reasons for how I felt. I would have to give the reasons or pretend at least that I was not conscious of them. I just lived through hell and heaven perfectly spontaneously. It (an autobiography) would be nonsense. It would be lies."

Do the poems in **Figures in the Carpet** tell the Elisabeth Koffka story? "If people work once through the satires, what the main lines are, that would give them some idea," She says she is "too lazy" to write prefaces to her works; consequently, her readers must "work through the works themselves." Asked if she will publish another collection of poems, Mrs. Koffka says she would like to if she found someone to publish them. "But I haven't done a thing about it." Perhaps Mrs. Koffka has, in **Poet in Lean Times** which follows, the preface to the next collection.

While we wait for the publication of the next collection, we might appreciate her presence and participation in the classroom and recognize her continued contribution to the Lawrence community.

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MUSIC/DRAMA

MacBeth Reviewed

The Lawrence University production of Shakespear's **Macbeth** opened Tuesday evening in the Cloak Theatre to a generally receptive and enthusiastic audience. The highlights of the performance were exhibited in the directing style of Tom West. The most interesting aspect of the performance was the use of the vividly colored abstract facial masks. The actors used the masks to portray some characters and used creative make-up effects to portray others. While the masks did add color to the performance and did in some cases help the audience distinguish between the varied characters the masks were not individualized enough.

Tom and Alana West played the roles of Macbeth and Lady Macbeth with convincing realism. Four versatile student actors, Cindy Mader, Dawn Harbron, Sean McCollum, and Diane Piron, covered the other nineteen roles with credibility and vitality. The sword play and dramatic action added to the excitement of the show. The authentic appearing costumes and the emotionally charged score enhanced the total effect of the production as well. The staging of the play, designed in an almost theatre-in-the-round manner, drew the audience into the action.

Professor of Music. Commentary on the subject of "Bach as Church Musician: The Leipzig Rite" by A.G. Roeber, Assistant Professor of History, will be followed by a performance of "O Lamm Gottes, unschuldig" from Bach's Great Eighteen Chorales, Leipzig. All are welcome to attend.

Interlochen Piano

A piano touring group from Interlochen Arts Academy will perform in Harper Hall on Saturday evening at 8:00 p.m. There is no admission charge and everyone is invited to come enjoy piano music by Chopin, Debussy, Brahms, MacDowell, Poulenc, and Kabalevsky. Consisting of student pianists selected by competitive audition, the touring group is currently appearing in Michigan and Wisconsin under the auspices of the Michigan Arts Council. The participating students are Interlochen Arts Academy seniors: Karen Lingstedt, Jon Plotkin, Donna Aravalo, Margaret Martin, Alisa Carrel, Leah Billingsley and freshman Tian Feng-Ying from Shanghai, China. Earlier in the day, these students, along with Interlochen piano faculty member Dr. Michael Coonrod, will tour the campus and attend a special presentation by Conservatory faculty and students. This event, also open to the public, will be held in Harper Hall at 3:00 p.m., and will include performances by pianist Theodore Rehl, cellist Janet Anthony, saxophonist Steven Jordheim, and a trio composed of flutist Kathleen Abromeit, cellist Philippa White and harpsichordist Laura Goodell. The Interlochen Touring Group's visit to Lawrence is being coordinated by the Admission Office.

Bach's Lunch

On Tuesday, April 30, at 12:15 in the Memorial Chapel, the "Bach's Lunch" recital series will continue with works for organ by J.S. Bach. The program includes the Chorale and Prelude, "In dir ist Freude," a Pedal Exertitium, two movements from the Trio Sonata I, as well as a pair of toccatas by Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707) and Johannes Brahms (1833-97) based on the Passion Chorale, "Herzlich tut mich verlengen." Performing organists are Lynn Strebe, Steven Hoffman, Elizabeth Keggi, Teri Barlament and Jon Riehle, all members of the studio of George Damp, Assistant Profes-

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"Poet in Lean Times"

In times of steep
cultural decline
every honest poet
is faced with
the sorry task:
To extract from the void
"real people,"
who think--feel--behave
aimlessly, stupidly---
Drifting with the wind,
dry inert autumn leaves---

But by what other means
disclose
"the truth"? . . .
Can't think of any.

—Elisabeth Koffka

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Track Team Sets Records

by Krista M. Skola

The men's and women's track team travelled to Kenosha on Saturday, April 20, to participate in the Carthage Invitational. After an impressive meet at St. Norbert the previous week, the results of the Carthage meet were disappointing. However, five school records were set and several individuals placed quite favorably.

The men set three school records although were unable to attain any firsts. With a time of 15:05.6 Eric Griffin placed second in the 5000 M run, setting a school record. Joe Berger ran the 1500M race in 4:03.1 setting another school record and placing fourth. The 400M Relay team composed of Tony Sproles, Jerry Davis, Gary Smith, and Steve Dobbe also set a school record with a time of 43.87. Eric Ehlert picked up a second place for Lawrence in the javelin throw. Third places were acquired by Steve Dobbe in the 100M dash

of Dobbe, Davis, Sproles and Ray Ramsey.

The women set two school records and obtained the only first place for the Vikings. The 1600M relay team of Mahan Chehrena, Peg Keefe, Elizabeth Brown and Cecilia Merrill set a school record with a time of 4:29.9. In the 400M hurdles Elizabeth Brown placed first and set a record for Lawrence with a time of 1:10.6. Mahan Chehrena showed strength in this meet by placing fourth in the 100M and fifth in the 400M hurdling events. Placing third in the long 10,000M run with a time of 41:32 was Margaret Szveda.

After a mid-week meet with Northwestern on April 24 the Vikes will once again travel to Green Bay to attend the St. Norbert Invitational. With a mere three meets left until the Midwest Conference Championships, the track teams will be concentrating on improving their times in order to fly past the competition



Tony Sproles hurdling at the track meet on Wednesday.

Photo by Ross Hyslop

Women's Rugby Defeats Ripon

by Margie LaVelle

The Lawrence Women's Rugby Club went 2-0 by defeating Ripon in a tough rematch Sunday. Although the score was the same as the first contest (12-0), the Lawrence team had to fight much harder to achieve it. In addition to having more experienced players this time, Ripon had also borrowed a few players from the Fox Valley Women's Rugby Club to fill out their side. But the L.U. Ruggers rose to the challenge and played an extremely aggressive game. From the opening kick-off they gained good field position and maintained their advantage throughout the match.

The scrummies capitalized upon this position twice for scores. Early in the game a quick-thinking Joyce Fermanis jumped on a loose ball in the try zone for Lawrence's first score. Then as time was running out, senior forward Ellen Kocher picked up the ball on the five meter line and ran

through the opposition for the final score.

Throughout the game the backs demonstrated their versatility with quick runs, smooth passes, and aggressive tackles. The obvious star of the backfield was senior inside center Lisa Johnson. Near the end of the first half "LJ" took a pass from senior flyhalf Margie LaVelle and darted through an opening in the opposition's defense in a magnificent run for a score. Lawrence also managed to stay deep in Ripon's territory thanks to great runs by outside centers Jenny Bilstad, Jaimee Lawrence, and wings Kathy Bugby and Carrie Drake.

Thanks to the beautiful weather a large crowd of enthusiastic fans came to cheer the ruggers to victory. The team really appreciates this support and hopes that everyone comes to the next home game against UW-LaCrosse, scheduled for May 5. This Saturday Lawrence will travel to Eau Claire to meet both UW-EC and Carleton for an afternoon of doing lines and taking hits.



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Lawrence Baseball Team Can't Get Rolling

The Lawrence baseball team has continued its losing streak. Since beginning their northern schedule, the hardballers have dropped eight straight. The unprecedented losing streak originated at the hands of the nationally ranked Oskosh Titans, and culminating with two debacles against division rival St. Norberts. Sandwiched between these losses were four more drubbings by Ripon and Marquette. Even though the Vikes' efforts were for naught, they exhibiting many encouraging signs.

Against Ripon, the Viking's anemic defense, pitching and hitting continued in true form. Senior hurler

Kraig Krueger retained his title as the team's most ineffective pitcher, dishing up three gopher (go-for) balls to the Redmen, including a grand slam.

Their next game saw the team battling not only Marquette, but also arctic conditions. Aside from the cold, the Vikings appeared as if they were playing in a heavy fog. The Viking performance prompted freshmen fire-baller Brad "God, I'm good" Snelson to state emphatically, "I think I'll take my unhit-table left arm and my good looks to Ripon."

Against St. Norberts however, one aspect of the Vikes' game did improve. The

LU hitting attack proved formidable as the squad out-hit the Green Knights 14-13 but lost 17-6.

With LU's defense behind them, St. Norberts pummeled senior John Van Den Huevel. After "Dumbo" got the hook he mused, "Does the girl's softball team need a left hander?" During the game, left fielder Sean Stokes was moved to short stop in hopes of slowing up LU's infield. Commenting on the position switch afterwards, Stokes claimed "It's a shame I can only play one position at a time."

Dave Comber turned in a stellar performance as first base "scoping" many errant throws. Comber likened

himself to Billy Smith of the New York Islanders after stopping so many shots. Another bright spot for LU was the emergence of power hitter Luke Meyer who had a pinch-hit three run homer.

Commenting on LU's losing streak, Senior Co-captain Bart Ott exclaimed "I'm not really concerned...I'm graduating in a month." Special congratulations go to freshman golden glover Mike Podpora. If Podpora continues his present rate of three errors a game, he will become LU's alltime leader in errors for a season.

Fencers Slice Out Varsity Role

Football, basketball, and baseball are three sports at Lawrence that get a lot of attention. The less popular sports, such as fencing, do not get noticed as much as the others. Fencing, unlike many other sports is a club sport which means that the amount of money in the budget is less than the amount for a varsity sport. Recently however, several factors have contributed to the change in the attitude towards fencing at Lawrence.

Lawrence's turnout at the Great Lakes Fencing Championships, held at the University of Notre Dame on March 2nd, was one factor which added to the positive attitude toward the team. The meet

is the second largest inter-collegiate fencing tournament in the country, behind the NCAA Nationals Meet. The team consisted of Sarah Prince (capt.), Elizabeth McCrank, Tom Mish, Tim Duff, Chris Cudzinovic, Elizabeth Fox, Dave Lawyer and Mike Aki. Only four of these members went to the Great Lakes Fencing Championships: Liz McCrank, Tom Mish, Sarah Prince and Dave Lawyer. Although Lawrence's team finished in last place, it scored the most points that any Lawrence fencing team has ever scored in that particular meet. Other teams participating in the meet were Notre Dame, St. Mary's, Case Western Reserve, Wayne State, University of Chicago, University of Michigan-Dearborn

and Oberlin College. The meet consisted of four rounds, and two Lawrence fencers, Sarah Prince and Liz McCrank, made it to the second round. No other Lawrence fencer in the past has made it any farther than the first round. Each team is allowed three people in each of the men's and women's divisions, but Lawrence selected only two members for each division.

Another reason for the changed attitude on the team is that this Lawrence club sport wants to attain a varsity status next year. This year's team has more dedicated, serious, experienced members than in past years.

The members try to attend as many of the required two-hour practices a week as they can. The members on this year's team have also had more past experience than any other Lawrence fencing team. The lineup for next year will consist of everybody on this year's team, except for senior Liz McCrank.

Next year's team will prove to us that fencing is not a waning sport at Lawrence. The prospect of varsity status for the club sport should definitely bring fencing to the attention of people at Lawrence as a serious and credible sport.

Men's Tennis Team on a Roll

After getting off to a slow start, the Lawrence University men's tennis team is on a roll. Winners of their last four dual meets, the Vikings hope to stay hot this weekend when they seek their third straight Lawrence Invitational tournament title.

The Vikings will field two of the 10 teams in this year's 19th annual invitational, which opens with singles action Friday morning at 9 a.m. on the Lawrence courts. Doubles play on Saturday also begins at 9 a.m.

Joining Lawrence in the tournament will be Ripon, which will also field two teams, Carroll, Carthage, Concordia, Lakeland, Northwestern of Watertown and St. Norbert Colleges.

Ranked 16th in the latest Midwest regional tennis poll, Lawrence is a two-time defending invitational champion, having won last year's tournament easily over runner-up Ripon. It was the Viking's sixth tournament title, and only Ripon, with seven titles, has won the Lawrence Invitational more times.

Ripon is expected to make a strong bid for its eighth title this weekend. The Redmen are the 5th ranked team in the Midwest Regional poll, and handed the Vikings a 9-0 thumping in a spring-break meeting a month ago.

"It should be a very interesting tournament," Lawrence head coach Mary Poulson said. "We were trounced by Ripon in our season opener,

but we've come a long way since then. I think our kids are anxious to see if we can rebound from that first meeting."

All six singles champions from last year's tournament are entered in this year's field, including four for the Vikings.

Senior Peter Montross (5-2), the defending champ at no. 1 singles, puts his 25th Midwest regional ranking on the line for the Lawrence blue team. He will be joined by senior Tod Olson (4-3) at no. 2 singles; sophomore Scott Duncan (2-5), the defending champ at no. 3; freshman Jim Englund (1-2) at no. 4; sophomore Dan Hartenstein (4-3), last year's no. 4 champion but at no. 5 this year; and junior Dave Kniaz (1-3) at no. 6 singles. Montross and Olson (3-3), last year's no. 1 doubles runner-up, have won three in a row and will play no. 1 again for the blue team. Rounding out the doubles lineup is Duncan-Englund (1-2) at no. 2 and Hartenstein-Kniaz (0-0) at no. 3.

Playing for Lawrence white team will be junior Dave Turner (4-1) at no. 1 singles; junior Doug Allen (1-0) at no. 2; sophomore Chris Laing (0-0) at no. 3; freshman Dan Fosburgh (1-0) at no. 4; freshman Tony Grade (0-0) at no. 5; and sophomore Monroe Sullivan (0-0) at no. 6.

The doubles lineup for the white team includes Turner-Allen (0-1) at no. 1; Laing-Fosburgh (0-0) at no. 2; and a still-to-be-determined tandem at no. 3.

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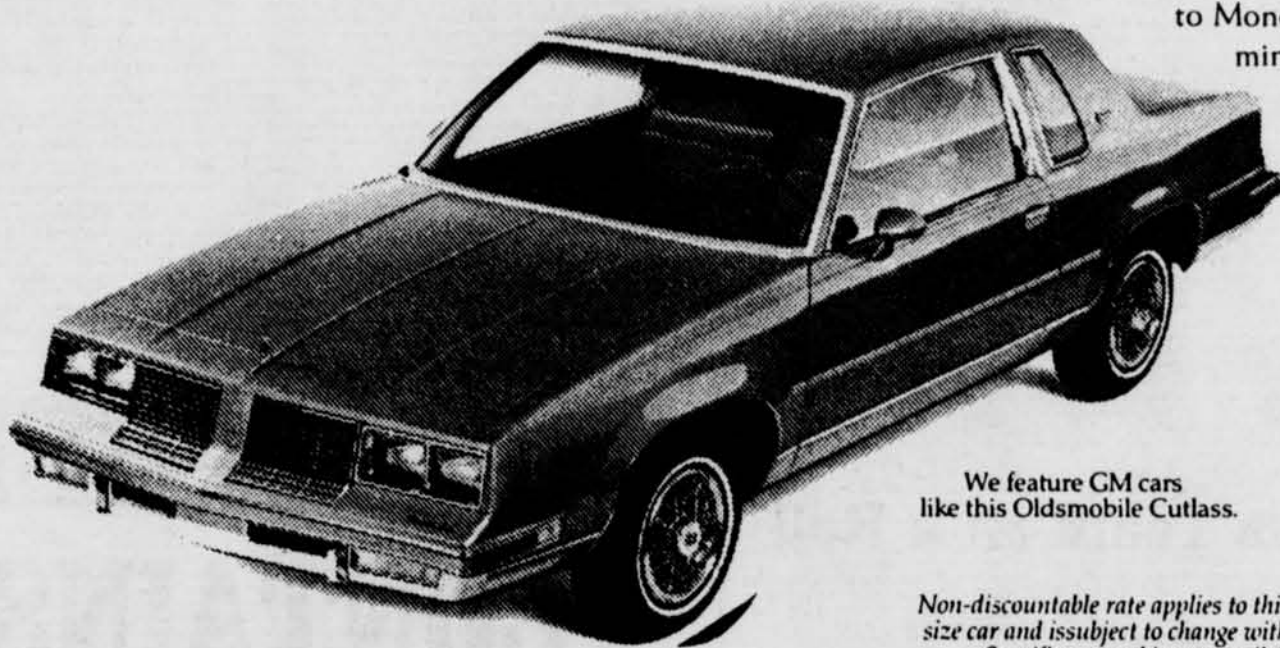
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